

PUBLIC NOTICE

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION REQUEST COMMENTS ON SPECTRUM NEEDS OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROVIDERS

WT DOCKET NO. 05-157

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) is represented and participates in various committees and workgroups in support of obtaining additional electromagnetic spectrum and maintaining spectrum for the mutual benefit of Federal, State, and local emergency response providers.

CHP supports the concept outlined in Docket No. 05-157; regarding additional allocation of spectrum in the 700 MHz band, and utilizing commercial wireless technologies to improve connectivity for public safety communications. Emergency response providers would benefit from accessing existing wireless and public service communications networks to enhance essential communications links within regional public safety agencies. CHP is specifically interested in the potential to enhance our video downlink, currently an extremely bandwidth-intensive spectrum.